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**CLEVELAND MUSEUM DISPLAYS  
DECADE OF THE ARMORY SHOW**

An exhibition, DECADE OF THE ARMORY SHOW, selected and circulated by the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, will open in the special exhibition galleries of The Cleveland Museum of Art, Tuesday, August 6 and continue through September 15. It commemorates the fiftieth anniversary of the history-making Armory Show of 1913 and includes 57 works by 35 painters and sculptors.

Accompanying it are two related exhibits in, and adjacent to, the Museum's prints and drawings gallery: a collection of 33 prints, drawings and paintings by 23 American artists who exhibited in the 1913 Show and a display of photostats of clippings, cartoons, and photographs which pertain to this controversial exhibit as well as to the conditions and atmosphere of those times.

The Whitney exhibit makes no attempt to reconstruct the first and famed Show (that task having been executed by the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute of Utica), but, instead, surveys the growth of American modernism from 1910 to 1920. Artists represented in the Whitney exhibit include many Americans who exhibited in the 1913 display and those living abroad at the time. Charles Burchfield, Charles Demuth, Preston Dickinson, Arthur G. Dove, Lyonel Feininger, Marsden Hartley, Gaston Lachaise, Stanton MacDonald-Wright, John Marin, Alfred Maurer, Georgia O'Keeffe, Maurice Prendergast, Man Ray, and Max Weber are among those represented.

The original exhibition, held in Manhattan's 69th Regiment Armory, introduced modern art to the American public (and many American artists), previously unaware of European avant-garde work. No single event has ever had such an impact on the art of this country. After 1913, modernism made itself known, recruited new participants and critics, spurred the American collecting of modern art and was responsible for the appearance of new galleries which displayed advanced works.

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